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Intersection improvement project to begin May 8 at K-16/Parallel Road in Leavenworth County

A Kansas Department of Transportation intersection improvement project at K-16/Parallel Road is scheduled to begin Monday, May 8, in Leavenworth County, weather permitting.

The project includes improvements to sight distances at the intersection and the addition of shoulders to the roadway.

Project closures are scheduled in two phases as follows:

**Phase 1 (May – July):** K-16 will be closed from approximately 200 feet north of Parallel Road to approximately 500 feet south of Parallel Road. Parallel Road will be closed from approximately 450 feet west of K-16 to approximately 200 feet east of K-16.

**Phase 2 (July – November):** K-16 will be closed from approximately 200 feet north of Parallel Road to approximately 1,300 feet north of Parallel Road. Parallel Road will be accessible from the south on K-16.

For the duration of the project, detours will be as follows: **south of Parallel Road,** K-16 traffic will be detoured to use U.S. 40 (U.S. 24) then to U.S. 59 and back to K-16 (K-92); **north of Parallel Road,** K-16 traffic will be detoured to use K-16 (K-92) then to U.S. 59 to U.S. 40 (U.S. 24) and back to K-16.
Traffic will be controlled using lane closures, portable message signs, arrow boards, signage and traffic cones.

Work will take place Monday through Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Message boards are in place notifying motorists of the upcoming project.

King’s Construction, of Oskaloosa, is the contractor for the $1.3 million project, which is expected to be completed in late November, with lanes open to traffic in mid-October.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of all road construction projects across Kansas go to www.kandrive.org or call 5-1-1. Drive safely and always wear your seat belt.

Map below shows project location and detour.

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